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**New Mexico Environment Department  
Invites Public to Water Quality Sampling in Farmington**

(Santa Fe, NM) -- The New Mexico Environment Department will be conducting a field demonstration of surface water quality sampling on September 25, in Farmington, to provide the public an opportunity to see how the quality of surface waters is determined throughout the state.

The Bureau will be demonstrating the following types of water quality sampling: chemical (water chemistry), biological (fish, aquatic macroinvertebrates (insects)) and physical (geomorphology-functionality of the river). The demonstration will be held on the Animas River at Boyd Park, south of Main Street, near the Miller Avenue Bridge from 11:30 a.m. to approximately 1:30 p.m. Participants are asked to bring plenty of water, lunch and sun protection, in addition to an interest in water quality.

For more information, contact Stephanie Stringer, Outreach Coordinator in the NMED SWQB, at P.O. Box 26110, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87502, by calling (505) 827-0418, or visit our website at [www.nmenv.state.nm.us/swqb/Farmington\\_Field\\_Day\\_Elier.pdf](http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/swqb/Farmington_Field_Day_Elier.pdf).

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